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FOR: TIMING CONTROLLER AND CONTROLLED DELAY CIRCUIT FOR CONTROLLING TIMING OR DELAY TIME OF A SIGNAL BY CHANGING PHASE THEREOF

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.97(c)

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The attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of the non-U.S. patent document is attached.

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